



## Immaculata Parent Support Group Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

President : Val Cocar  
Vice President : Maria Macdonnell  
Treasurer : Jean Bouillane  
Secretary : Nica Graziotto, Jennifer Spelliscy  
Fundraising : Renae Clarkson, Anna Portz  
Council Liason : Tammy Elcome  
Hospitality : Christina Donnicks  
Principal: Rob Plaxton

Attendees: Jean Bouillane, Anna Portz, Rob Plaxton, Renae Clarkson, Maria Macdonnell, Tammy Elcome, Christina Donnicks

Absent: Val Cocar , Nica Graziotto, Jennifer Spelliscy

Welcome and call to order at 6:10 pm by Maria who headed the meeting.

Opening Prayer: Rob Plaxton

Approval of Minutes: May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018 and June 2018 will be done @ October meeting

### **Committee Reports**

**President Report:** Val Cocar **Nothing to Report**

**Vice President Report:** Maria Macdonnell **Nothing to Report**

**Treasury Report :** Tanya Sturgeon gave her final Treasurer's Report (see attached report)

General Account Balance: \$ 4781.50

Gaming Account Balance: \$

**Secretary:** Nica Graziotto/Jennifer Spelliscy **Nothing to Report**

**Fundraising Report:** Renae Clarkson & Anna Portz

Bottle drive shed emptied and we raised \$1129.00 from March-June. Good work!

The fundraising team will implement a year at a glance plan for the coming year.

Bottle drives (get teams involved), bake sales, Poinsettia sales, spread out the fundraising over the school year with the goal to make some decent money.

Renaee mentioned lovebutton.org for Valentine's Day. Discussed how important it is to build strong relationships in the school community.

We have a multi cultural school, and perhaps could host international days with fun events/food representing that country.

**Hospitality:** Christina Donnack **Nothing to Report**

**Principal report:** Rob Plaxton

There are renovations happening in the library. We're going to make it more social for the kids. Garage doors/bistro tables/chairs will be added. The school library is going digital! All students will be going through the library for orientation and all students will have access to all resources at IRHS. ERAC- buys in bulk for all schools(Microsoft licensing and books) See attached rules for library(the third space)

Mission Trip to Mexico has been approved. We need a minimum of 20 people confirmed.

New Staff: Brett Boechler, Nat Dawson, Lilliana Perez LeFevre

There's a massive teacher shortage in BC. Due to a landmark court case in 2016 they had to hire 3500 teachers. BC teachers are the lowest paid in the country. Reserve teacher list is shrinking. Multiple public schools didn't have enough teachers. Even though teachers may be certified in other provinces, they need to upgrade if working in B.C. Provincial Gov't mandates that non-certified teachers can only teach 20 days/calendar month. Public Schools are looking at hiring French teachers from France or Belgium.

**Old Business:**

Hot lunch program (Leigh Ann Sullivan reporting) Summer orders worked well. 88 students ordered which is a 20% increase. It helped having PayPal + hot lunches/student fees together. First order was \$1000. We have a few new suppliers this year. (Boston Pizza and Sunshine Market)

**New Business:** Caroline nominated Christina Donnack as Hospitality Coordinator. Maria asked if there were any other nominations from the floor(3 times). Motion Carried

Maria closed the meeting at 7:13pm.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday October 24, 2018 at 6:00pm ~ Immac Library.

Submitted by: Maria Macdonnell